



Connecticut State Legislature  
Housing Committee  
Legislative Office Building, RM 2700  
Hartford, CT 06106

RE: HB-5133 "An Act Concerning the Location of Funding Sources for Healthy Homes Initiative"

Dear Representative Butler and Members of the Committee:

I am writing today to ask that you support HB-5133. The Home Performance Alliance of Connecticut, (HPACT) is an industry association comprised of contractors that perform home energy audits, install energy efficiency measures and perform diagnostic tests on homes to measure air loss and air quality. Some of our members also install insulation, replace heating equipment and seal ductwork. It is these services and the strive to meet the goals of PA 11-80 that some or all of these services would be deferred due to Health and Safety findings that could be rectified if Healthy Homes funding can be identified. Many of our members that participate in the HES and HES-IE programs know first-hand how the presence of asbestos, lead, mold or combustion leaks can detour our best efforts to increase the homes energy efficiency.

As the remediation work required to fix these types of conditions would not provide any measurable energy savings, it is typical for the homeowner to cover the remediation costs directly. Finding the necessary funding to hire professional environmental remediators is difficult for homeowners, particularly those with low incomes or poor credit history.

We look forward to the report resulting from this Act and applaud the effort to bring together the Commissioners of Public Health, Housing, Energy and Environmental Protection and Insurance to collaborate on this report.

Should you require any further information or have any questions at all, please let me know. HPACT is readily available to assist the Housing Committee with any further questions or clarifications. I can be reached at 860-916-3554 or via email, [tlavoie@thereslink.com](mailto:tlavoie@thereslink.com).

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Regards,

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